

**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2014**

A meeting of the Employee Benefits Advisory Committee was held at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 20, 2014 in the City Council Conference Room – 7th Floor/Mesa City Plaza Building, 20 E. Main St.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Cameli, Alex Finter, John Pombier, Dave Richins, Amy Trethaway

MEMBERS EXCUSED: N/A

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Manning, Human Resources Director
Janice Ashley, Employee Benefits Administrator
Peggy Lynch, Assistant Employee Benefits Administrator
Bernice Mead, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

Agenda Item #1: Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

John Pombier moved to adopt the meeting minutes from January 6, 2014. Mary Cameli seconded the motion and all were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

In order to discuss private medical information for one appeal, Dave Richins motioned to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by John Pombier and all were in favor. The Board went into executive session at 3:06 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Appeal #1

Motion to end executive session and reconvene public meeting by Dave Richins and seconded by Mary Cameli. The public meeting reconvened at 3:16 p.m.

Take Action: Appeal #1 - It was moved by John Pombier and seconded by Mary Cameli (with all Board members in favor) to allow ABA therapy as a covered benefit for autism spectrum disorder, and follow the staff recommendation to use contracted utilization management services to pre-certify and monitor progress. Staff was authorized to adjust the City's Plan Document language as of April 1st, 2014 to administer this coverage in the manner directed by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Prepared by: Bernice Mead, Secretary to the Board